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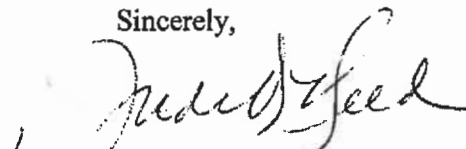
Mr. Tony Petelos
Chief Executive Officer
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Dear Mr. Petelos:

This refers to the 2013 redistricting plan and realignment of voting precincts for Jefferson County, Alabama, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submission on March 4, 2013; additional information was received through April 5, 2013.

The Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the specified changes. However, we note that Section 5 expressly provides that the failure of the Attorney General to object does not bar subsequent litigation to enjoin the enforcement of the changes. Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 28 C.F.R. 51.41.

Sincerely,


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Chief, Voting Section

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